

## INVALUABLE TALMUDIC MANUSCRIPT FOUND; WAS SAVED FROM NAZI HANDS

NEW YORK (NJP)—The almost miraculous story of how the most important addition to Talmudic learning of modern times was snatched from the jaws of the Nazi machine to be saved for posterity was being told in scholarly circles here this week.

As a result of the find, which was uncovered only last month, Yeshiva University has set up a Talmudic Research Institute to publish the invaluable work.

It has been in the United States for almost ten years, where it was shipped by Rabbi Saffran-Fuchs, who later was liquidated with his entire family by the Nazis.

The manuscript is the 7000-page "Commentaries" of the Gaon of Rogashov.

Rabbi Menahem Kasher, prominent editor of Biblical text and author of works on Hebrew subjects, has been appointed head of the Talmudic Institute. The project is being made possible by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

Joseph Rosen, rabbi of Dvinsk, in Latvia, (1858-1936) and called the Gaon or genius of Rogashov, after the city of his birth, was one of the most unique and brilliant figures in the history of Rabbinics. The late Hebrew poet, Chaim Nachman Bialik, characterized him in this way: "From one Rogashover Gaon, we could make two Einsteins."

**POSSESSED** of an encyclopedic mind, the Rogashov could literally reel off volumes from memory, as scholars who knew him have testified. It was said that he was his own library. Added to this remarkable quality, was the perception of an original and creative intelligence.

He died in 1936 at the age of 78, after having served the city of Dvinsk for forty-seven years. He left behind him a monumental four volume analysis of the works of Maimonides entitled "Tsofnath Pa-aneach," The Explanation of the Hidden, and a large body of reponsa, which are replies to questions on Jewish law. His greatest achievement, however, were his "Commentaries."

Rabbi Israel Alter Saffran-



### Literary Find Examined

Dr. Samuel Belkin (right) holds an enlargement of a page containing part of the annotations which make up the "Commentaries" of the Gaon of Rogashov, Rabbi Joseph Rosen. Seven thousand such pages, in the form of 2-inch by 2-inch microfilm negatives, were found in New York last month. Smuggled out of Europe during the Nazi oppression, they comprise what is considered to be the richest addition to Talmudic learning in modern times. With Dr. Belkin is Dr. Menachem Kasher, noted researcher in biblical texts, who has been appointed head of Yeshiva University's newly created Talmudic Research Institute which will collate and publish the manuscript.

Fuchs, successor to the Gaon in the Dvinsk rabbinate, found the document among the unpublished papers of his predecessor. It was in the form of marginal annotations on the texts of the Babylonian Talmud, the Jerusalem Talmud, plus notes on a vast body of Jewish law. In all, the work consisted of 7,000 pages.

**FACED BY** the mounting Nazi terror, Rabbi Saffran-Fuchs engaged in a desperate race against time to preserve the manuscript. Photographing it page by page, he mailed it out piecewise in small packages to his cousin, H Saffran, in the United States. He managed to complete the job before the Nazi fires reached their full fury. In the holocaust that followed, Rabbi Saffran-Fuchs and his family, the descendants of the Gaon, and the inhabitants of Dvinsk all perished.

For twelve years the existence of the manuscript was unknown here. When it came to the attention of Dr. Kasher, he brought it to Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University,

and the project for its publication, the Torah Research Institute, was formed.

**ONE OF THE** chief obstacles in transcribing the Commentaries is the technically primitive quality of the negatives. Dr. Kasher will be aided in his work by a staff of scholars who have a first hand acquaintance with the writings of the Gaon and are familiar with his script. When the task is completed, it is estimated that tremendous new vistas will be opened in the field of Talmudic learning.

Describing the survival of the "Commentaries" with a quotation from Zechariah, Dr. Kasher said they are as a "brand plucked out of the fire." He added: "One might say that it is a happy irony that, having escaped the flames, they will do much to illuminate our present knowledge. The rescue of this invaluable document from the black forces of destruction has preserved a precious gift which will inform the world with wisdom's light and clarity."

## Southern Jews Hit By Lawyer On Negro Issue

By MARGO WOLFF  
National Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (NJP)—Southern Jews, and especially those of South Carolina have joined with reactionary forces, Attorney John Bolt Culbertson, of South Carolina, told The POST this week.

The Southern lawyer, a member of a Mayflower family of the South, was principal speaker at the mass rally sponsored by the

### EGYPTIAN JOURNALIST TOURS ISRAEL

JERUSALEM (NJP) — The exploit of an Egyptian newspaperman, who after spending 12 days touring Israel with the knowledge of the Government returned to Cairo to publish his findings, may provide the fragile spark that will fire up peace in the middle east.

If it doesn't, which is most likely, the interest the ingenious reporter's jaunt shows how in the crisis-ridden middle east a straw, almost any straw, which might lead to a bettering of the situation, is seized at.

The account of Ibrahim Izzat appeared in the Egyptian magazine Ros el Youssef, and quoted Ben-Gurion as willing to meet Nasser anywhere, even in Cairo to talk over peace possibilities.

Reached by newspapermen in Israel, Ben Gurion verified the whole incident, and repeated his willingness to go to Cairo to talk to Nasser.

The U. S. Embassy in Washington and the British Embassy in London both expressed satisfaction over the development.

**THE ARRANGEMENTS** for the trip, which was Izzat's idea, were made through the Israel Embassy in London.

A full report of Izzat's impressions of Israel, many of them amazingly favorable, passed by the Egyptian censor for publication in the widely read magazine for which he works.

Izzat was enthusiastic over the progress and industry of the Israeli people. He found Histadrut, the Israeli labor organization, to be the "best or-

ganized trade union movement in the world." He liked the almost idealistically Socialistic life in Israeli agricultural settlements.

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### 10,000 IN FARM SCHOOLS

JERUSALEM—More than 10,000 Israeli students are now in agricultural boarding schools, Eliezer Regev, director of the ministry of agriculture's department of agricultural education, told a radio press conference last week.

## SURVEY SHOWS ALMOST 50% IN N. Y.'S 9 MED SCHOOLS ARE JEWISH

NEW YORK (NJP) — An amazing increase in the number of admissions of Jews to medical school in New York was explained this week by Harold Braverman in the Anti-Defamation League Bulletin as perhaps not indicative of either a real trend or more fairness.

Braverman reported that a religious census made last year of students enrolled in New York's nine public and private medical schools showed that almost half of the students in the 1956, '57 and '58 classes were Jewish.

Unwilling to concede that this conclusively meant the admissions authorities were turning over a new leaf, especially since previous surveys showed that Jews suffered when it came

time to admitting the into medical schools, Braverman ascribed the situation to possibly three causes:

**ONE WAS** a probe of bias against Jewish applicants made in the state in 1952, which influenced many schools to liberalize their heretofore restrictive policies. This is reflected in the 1952 and succeeding classes.

The second reason ascribed by Braverman was the increasing attractiveness of science and engineering as careers in view of the atomic age. As a result the number of applicants of all kinds to medical schools has declined.

Finally, the most probable is that the classes ready for medical school from 1950 to 1955 were born in the depression years of

1930-35, when the birth rate was low. As a result the number of students of all religious faiths applying for entrance at medical schools was limited.

**IN 1950**, the New York State Department of Education, responding to a mounting public demand for quota-less medical schools, conducted a quiet investigation, the results of which have never been officially published.

The ADL Bulletin's report cited some specific instances of discrimination within the past decade, which were disclosed by the 1950 investigation.

One unofficial fact that the investigation, known as the Bienstock study, disclosed dealt with 64 pre-med graduates of Cornell university, all members

of the same class and applicants for admission to Cornell's graduate medical school.

**TWENTY-NINE** were Jews and 35, non-Jews. Although the scholastic grades of the Jewish candidates averaged 10 per cent higher than their non-Jewish classmates, of the 20 students admitted from this group, only five were Jews.

Two years later, the state's Board of Regents ordered its own study, retaining Dr. Howard Wilson of Carnegie Endowment as director. The Wilson report, released three years ago, in general substantiated the conviction that Jewish students had much greater difficulty getting by the registrars of medical schools than did non-Jewish students with equal, even inferior, scholastic records.

**THE WILSON STUDY** investigated practices in the 1950 and 1952 school terms. It found, interestingly enough, that race or color had little or nothing to do with admissions to New York medical schools; but not so with religion.

The research in both years showed a higher proportion of Protestant acceptances than Catholic, and a higher proportion of Christian students admitted than Jewish.

The disproportion of Jews was meaningful when viewed against the background of scholastic achievement by religious groupings. For both years, Jewish applicants had the highest average score in scholarship attainment, followed by Protestant candidates second, and Catholics, third.



## Had Faith In His Way To Achieve World Amity

### Jew Who Gave Away \$1 Million In Bulls Dies

By IRVING GRAY

CLEVELAND, O. (NJP)—Judging from his appearance, you'd expect Isaac Evans to be a poet, a writer or maybe a musician, but not an industrialist. Judging from his wealth, you'd expect him to be anything but a farmer.

Judging from his humble beginnings, you could hardly be expected to believe that he was often called a "One-Man United Nations."

Yet Isaac Evans, the son of a poor Russian immigrant, became famous in all three of these unrelated fields of endeavor—business, farming and international relations.

AND IN ALL three tasks, he was guided by one rule, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." He didn't just have the Golden Rule posted on a sign in his office. He lived by it.

In business, for example, he evolved unique and progressive labor-management policies, assuring his employees work even during depression days when he sent them to his farm when part of his shop was forced to close.

As a farmer he raised mostly cattle. He would handle a calf as gently as he would any of his 16 grandchildren.

AS AN international ambassador he personally sent more than \$1 million worth of "brotherhood bulls" to six different countries

to aid them in their rehabilitation programs after World War II.

He believed that he could help cement goodwill with other nations by sending them pedigreed bulls. On four farms in northeastern Ohio he produced prize Holstein and Brown Swiss dairy cattle. As a gesture of international accord he shipped these cattle to Colombia, Mexico, Italy, Turkey, Cuba, the Philippine Islands, Guatemala and Israel.

To aid the Jewish State further, he paid for the planting of five forests there, each named for one of the United Nations, to commemorate the World War II victory.

EVANS WAS active in Jewish affairs in Cleveland as a member of Rabbi Silver's temple and a founder of the local Zionist society. He also was actively interested in the Leo Levi Memorial Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark. Why Evans was a one-man ambassador can best be explained in his own words: "I hope to demonstrate that we may become one people in one world in practice as well as in spirit."

Did his theory work? On one occasion he was honored by the emissaries of Israel, Latin America, Turkey, the United States and the United Nations.

HIS PHILOSOPHY that goodwill and generosity always defeat a much greater volume of

hatred, fear and evil has won untold numbers of friends for the American way of life.

Of course Evans owed a great deal to America. As a youth of six he came here with his family from a farm near Minsk in Russia. He quit school to go to work and later started his own business with a borrowed \$750 in an abandoned blacksmith shop. When he died recently at the age of 72, he was president of his own chemical manufacturing firm.

But America owes a great deal to him. In fact his benevolence was so well known that a Cleveland newspaper named him an "Alias Santa Claus" in a series of tributes paid to outstanding citizens during the Christmas season of 1945.

#### AWARD WINNERS NAMED

TEL AVIV—Pioneer Women's Hayim Greenberg prizes this year will be awarded to Marie Syrkin, the American writer, for her book on Golda Myerson; Rachel Korin, the Canadian Yiddish poetess, and Miss Ada Maimon, former member of the knesset, for her book, "Fifty Years of the Working Women's Movement."

#### HOPES FOR FRUIT RUINED

TIBERIAS, Israel—Hopes for a record fruit year here were ruined recently by two days of rain and hail.

## How Religion and Schools Cause Problems Is Shown

NEW YORK (NJP) — Presenting the theme that "religious intrusions in the public schools" leads to division of citizens "along religious lines, and conflict ensues," Congress Weekly this week editorially listed three such inflammatory incidents in different areas of the country.

### Wouk To Write Novel On Israel

JERUSLAEM, Israel (NJP)—Here to visit his grandfather, Herman Wouk, noted American novelist said he planned to write a novel with Israel as the locale.



WOUK

He supervised the staging of the stage play, "Caine Mutiny," from his novel of the same name.

Wouk's grandfather was one of the members of the family that "understood" his marriage to Mrs. Wouk, who is non-Jewish, the author declared in an interview which appeared recently in an American publication.

### JWV Rejects Request To Aid Nazi Soldiers

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP)—A request from a German war veterans group asking the Jewish War Veterans of the United States to use their influence to secure "charitable" treatment for twenty-one German soldiers now imprisoned for life was rejected this week.

Reubin Kaminsky, JWV president, told the German organization that his group would not act because "the men are responsible for the death and destruction of millions of innocent lives. . . ." He added that their case had been considered by various boards of appeals, and already their death sentences had been commuted.

### Nasser Preoccupied Elsewhere—Davar

TEL AVIV (NJP)—The view that Nasser is turning his attention away temporarily from Israel to solve problems in other areas of the middle east and North Africa was advanced by the political editor of Davar, afternoon daily newspaper.

THE POST is the only Jewish paper which maintains a fully staffed bureau in New York City.

Congress Weekly is the organ of the American Jewish Congress.

The one incident involving a rabbi concerned released time in Woonsocket, R. I.

IN A PROGRAM carried on by the Woonsocket public school for years, said Congress Weekly, children were released an hour early one day a week to participate in religious instruction.

Catholic educational authorities requested that the hour be changed from the last in the day to the first. An interfaith advisory committee, consisting of two Catholic priests, two Protestant clergymen, and a rabbi voted three to two to turn down the request, because the change would make it impracticable for the Jews and the Protestants to participate.

THE SCHOOL board disregarded the decision, however, and voted for the change, whereupon the non-Catholic members of the committee resigned.

Another incident which involved a Jew was one dealing with Bible-reading in the Cliffside Park, N. J., schools.

THERE THE Catholics objected to the reading, required by state law, from the King James or Protestant version. They offered to supply the schools with Catholic versions so that the community would be saved the expense of purchasing new Bibles.

THE ACTION upset the community and caused consternation in its board of education, in which Dr. Samuel Megibow, its one Jewish member, steadfastly abstained from voting on any aspect of the resolution.

THE THIRD incident listed by Congress Weekly concerned the U. S. Military academy at West Point, at which Protestants and Catholics attend chapel on campus, and Jewish students, services at the town synagogue.

In the conflict here, the differences were between Protestant denominations, which objected to the exclusive use of Episcopalian Protestant chaplains, and unsuccessfully fought for representation of larger Protestant denominations.

Each incident indicates, concludes the editorial, "that whenever the state becomes involved directly or indirectly in religious education, divisiveness inevitably replaces unity, and bitterness succeeds harmony."

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#### COMING EVENTS

May 29-30—Eighth annual convention of National Association of Hebrew Day School P-TAs, Elizabeth, N. J.

June 3-6—Eighth annual conference, Long Island Hadassah,

Park Inn Hotel, Rockaway Park, L. I. Guest speaker: Mayor Robert Wagner.

June 6 — Commencement services, Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music, 8:15 p. m., 40 W. 68th Street.

June 14 — Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America first annual national dinner, commemorating its 58th anniversary, Hotel Roosevelt.

Aug. 27-Sept. 3—Torah leadership seminar for teen-age congregational youth, sponsored by Yeshiva University at Yeshiva University.

#### THEATRE and MUSIC

"The Diary of Anne Frank," starring Joseph Schildkraut, Cort Theatre, 48th st. East of Broadway. 8:40. Matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

May 26—Concert by Jewish Peoples Philharmonic Chorus, Carnegie Hall, 8:30 p. m. Handel's oratorio "Joshua," featuring Richard Tucker.

#### ART

Jewish Museum Exhibits. Early American Synagogues and The Synagogue Today; Jewish Ceremonial Art of Europe and the Near East; The World of the Lower East Side. Jewish Museum, 5th ave. at 92d st. Monday, Thursday, 1-5 p. m.; Sunday, 11 a. m.-6 p. m. Closed Friday and Saturday.

#### National Organizations

Anti-Defamation League of B.B., 515 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Farband Labor Zionist Order, 45 E. 17th St., N. Y. 4 — OR 3-6500. Jewish National Fund, 42 East 69th St., New York 21 — VA 6-3780.

Kashruth Supervisors Union, 205 W. 14th St. — AL 5-7330.

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# Civil Liberties Union Calls Jewish GI Ban Repugnant

NEW YORK (NJP)—The Jewish position on discrimination by Saudi Arabia against U. S. Jewish soldiers, who are now barred from service there, gained another adherent this week, when the American Civil Liberties Union added its voice to the criticism of the State Department.

The ACLU termed the religious screening of American soldiers before assignment to Saudi Arabia as a violation of the "basic American principle of freedom of religion."

Patrick Murphy Malin, the ACLU's executive director, made public a letter sent to Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson urging that the screening practice be ended.

THE ACLU letter noted the government's position that Saudi Arabia is a strategic point in our international defense network, but asserted that "the conduct of the military affairs of government should not be compromised by requiring an examination of religious affiliations of members of the Armed Forces, a practice repugnant to Americans."

"This requirement is unique so far as we know, unmatched in any other area of the world where American military personnel are stationed." The ACLU official said in his letter that the matter of assigning soldiers on

the basis of their religious beliefs was different from the Saudi Arabian government's refusal to admit civilians to whom it objects on any grounds. "That is not an official matter for the United States," Malin wrote.

MEANWHILE at his press conference, President Eisenhower said that he hadn't heard of the discrimination against Jewish soldiers by Saudi Arabia. Robert G. Spivack, a reporter for The New York Post, brought up the question.

The transcript of the question follows:

Spivack — in connection with the current negotiations with the Saudi Arabian government, can you tell us if our government is making any effort to persuade them to abandon their policy of barring American Jews from the U. S. air bases there?

A—American Jews?

Spivack — Yes, As I understand—

A—I haven't heard that. I have heard that certain of our govern-

ments accord to a nation where these bases are situated the right to determine if an American is persona non grata and can't enter.

Now, I have never heard this, that American Jews cannot go into our air bases.

Spivack—The Pentagon told us some weeks ago as a result of being privately advised by the Saudi Arabians, we just never sent any American Jews to that base there.

A—Well, I would say I would talk it over with the State Department. That is where I get my exact information. But I do know that certain of our bases do accord, do give to these people, who are sovereigns in that area—after all, we don't get the—we don't get that territory on the same basis as you do an Embassy. We are not a sovereign there. Therefore, they do have some rights that you have got to accord them.

## 5,000-RATE OF IMMIGRATION MAY DOUBLE IN 3 MONTHS

JERUSALEM — The probability is that the 5,000 monthly rate of immigration from North Africa will be doubled during the next three or four months, bringing the total for that period up to 30,000.

This was announced by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive. He did not give any reason for the sudden decision, which was of considerable gravity in view of the fact that it probably means the reopening of the maabarot, the temporary dwelling camps which have almost disappeared from the Israel scene.

Under the present arrangement the newcomers are transferred from the ships almost immediately to the settlements where they will live permanently, thus eliminating the unseemly and inadequate transient camps of the past.

Among other matters being considered by the Jewish Agency is that of plans to spur immigration of middle class families from the west, and to strengthen the education program in Jewish communities of the world.

### BEN-GURION LAUDS ARMY

JERUSALEM—Prime Minister and Minister of Defense David Ben-Gurion this week praised the Israel army for the attention and courtesy it showed to the delegates to the 24th Zionist Congress.

### Ohio Rabbi Gets Denver Pulpit

CLEVELAND (NJP)—Rabbi Earl S. Stone, associate rabbi of The Temple here, has been named rabbi of Temple Emanuel in Denver, it was announced this week.

Rabbi Stone will succeed Rabbi Joel Y. Zion, who resigned from his Denver post in January (NJP, Jan. 20, '56) shortly after the temple there announced a \$1.5 million assessment campaign for construction of a new temple. Rabbi Zion's associate rabbi G. Hirsch, also resigned.

In his Cleveland post, Rabbi Stone served as an associate, earlier as an assistant, with Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. In all, he served The Temple eight years.

He is chairman of the Greater Cleveland Rabbinical Fellowship and a member of the executive board of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.



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### Calls It 'Second Funeral'

### Discontinue Unveiling Ceremony Is Suggestion of Reform Rabbi

NEWARK (NJP)—Writing in the Journal of the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform), Rabbi Eli Pilchik of this city recommended that ceremonies at the unveiling of tombstones be discontinued.

Terming them "second funerals," Rabbi Pilchik described how trying the ceremony was on one bereaved family.

"The widow was in a state of near-collapse," he wrote, "and indeed had to be carried back to the car after the six- or seven-minute service. The grown children, torn by their own natural grief and their anxiety about their mother, were badly shaken. One son told me that his mother had gone through a dreadful two or three weeks in anticipation of this unveiling ceremony."

Rabbi Pilchik searched through Jewish law and concluded that there was "nothing to justify the formal elaborate unveiling service."

### Rabbis Not Meeting Role, Says Article

By S. ITZHAKI  
National Jewish POST Correspondent

TEL AVIV (NJP) — Present day rabbis are "not great enough to play the role which history has assigned to them."

This was the theme of a lengthy article in "Here and Now," weekly publication, written by the well-known Israeli author H. E. Blumenthal.

The article asserted that "there is no true rabbinate in Israel" and blamed the alliance of religion and politics for its decline.

He urged the rabbinate not to confine the Torah to the four walls of the synagogue and quoted Ben Gurion's opening remarks to the recent World Zionist Congress that "Zionism must take the place of a declining religion."

### 'COPTER CIRCLES HAIFA

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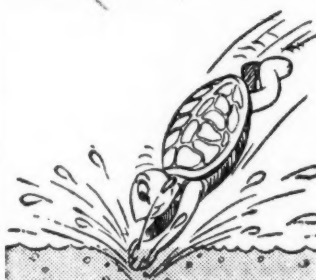
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If you want a real vacation, say Ben and Ruth Epstein of Deer Park Lodge, Manitowish, Wis., then visit their famous resort in the north woods. As the photo above shows, fishing is one of the principal delights at the lodge, but doesn't exceed the other fine attractions, such as its sumptuous cuisine, landscaped cabins, swimming and other outdoor sports, and the nightly dancing, hors d'oeuvres, smorgasbord and midnight snacks.

## Land Concession No Longer Asked

TEL AVIV (NJP)—Two daily newspapers here in dispatches from their Washington correspondents declared that the U. S. has given up the idea that territorial concessions by Israel will bring peace in the Near East. The correspondents quoted unnamed persons who had discussed Israel's problems with Eisenhower and the State Department.

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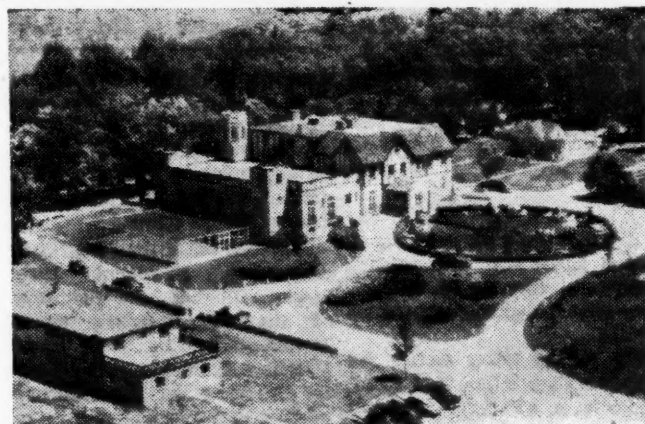
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According to the new timetables, which went into effect last week, two Haifa-Tel Aviv express trains each day will cover the distance in 80 and 89 minutes respectively. There also will be eight other trains per day.

Other faster runs are on the Haifa-Jerusalem route, where time has been cut from 4 hours

21 minutes to 3 hours 37 minutes.

The number of trains to Jerusalem was, at the same time, doubled to six. Also, two trains per day to Beersheba were put on the timetable.

One other innovation shown by the timetable is automatic passenger insurance. The insurance provides up to 5,000 Israeli pounds for injuries and up to 30,000 pounds for death, and includes all risks, including riots and war, on trains and in stations.

## Israelis' Religion True, Says Pastor

TEL AVIV (NJP) — I have found true religious expressions, no anti-religious groups in the especially in the field of traditional and national Jewishness.

... even among the non-religious citizens of Israel," the Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg, a delegate of the world executive of the Baptist Church, told the press here recently.

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LONDON—To the list of those who have been charging that the current celebration of British Jewry's Tercentenary really had little to commemorate, add the name of Rabbi S. M. Lehrman.

Rabbi Lehrman told an audience here that in the past 300 years almost nothing had been achieved in the way of "practical or eternal contribution" to Jewish religious life in England.

British Jewry, therefore, he continued, had "very little to be proud of," and he recommended that the celebration should mainly express Jewry's gratitude to England for the spirit of tolerance shown them.

Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth, Member of Parliament, told the same audience that British Jewry faced a dilemma whether to isolate themselves or to integrate into the community.

The speaker said he hoped that the United Kingdom Jews would decide to remain as a congregation, based on religion. He praised the Jew's spirit of tolerance, loyalty to their faith and acute sense of judgment.

**Florida Prof. Sees  
Israel Atomic Age**

HAIFA (NJP)—Prof. Joseph Weill, head of the School of Engineering of the University of Florida, announced here that Israel stands on the threshold of developing atomic reactors for industrial use.

Here as a guest of the Technion, Dr. Will expressed wonder at the advances in research and technology being made in Israel. He said that Israel has a great industrial potential in view of the fact that each ton of Negev phosphate contains a considerable amount of uranium.

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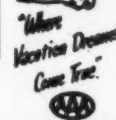
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## New Book Shows How Jew of Today Can Be Fine Citizen and Fine Jew

By MEYER LEVIN

**JUSTICE AND JUDAISM** by Albert Vorspan and Eugene J. Lipman. Union of American Hebrew Congregations, New York.

This is a guide for the social action committees of Reform synagogues, but it could easily be accepted as a guide to Reform Judaism. For the members of the Council for Judaism who contend that Judaism is "only" a religion, this should be a "must" reading, since it would teach them that their "only" is in actuality the everything of life.



LEVIN

Judaism was always a way of life, and the effort of this book is to show the particular tasks and adaptations of Judaism in the current scene, and

for the existing Jewish community.

Thus the authors in a highly lucid and most readable book, after a brief review of the tradition of social action as part of the synagogue, take up the practice of Judaism as it relates concretely to typical problems that confront us.

**FOR EXAMPLE**, housing. In almost every urban community, Jewish neighborhoods become fringe neighborhoods and are confronted with the influx of Negroes. Vorspan and Lipman tell in some detail of the exciting and direct attack made upon this problem by Rabbi Weinstein of the K.A.M. temple in Chicago. They pick it up at an understandable moment of crisis. Should a new community house be built, just when Negroes are moving into the neighborhood?

The social action committee becomes just that. Instead of remaining passive, it undertakes a social action. New Negro neighbors are contacted. Understanding is built. Decay of the neighborhood is halted.

**OF COURSE**, it is a complex story. The neighborhood may change, but without the worst conflict and hatred. To have struggled with the problem instead of fleeing from it—that is part of Judaism.

They cite another dramatic example, this time in St. Louis. As Negroes began to move onto the streets and "for sale" signs went up, a real Jew named Sam Marcus put up a sign in front of his mansion. "This house is not for sale. We like our fine neighbors. Your race, religion and politics are not our concern. All who take pride in their homes are welcome on this street."

As they treat housing, so they

treat education, marriage and the family, crime, civic reform, civil rights, civil liberties, religious liberty, interreligious activities, economic affairs, immigration, peace and international relations.

**THEIR DISCUSSION** is always forthright. Under their discussion of crime, for example, they show how the primitive concept of "an eye for an eye" evolved through rabbinic interpretation to the point where the Mishnah Makkot stated that a court would be "murderous" if it imposed the death penalty as often as once in seven years; according to Rabbi Eleazar ben Azariah, once in 70 years. Rabbi Tarphon and Rabbi Akiba opposed the death penalty altogether 1900 years ago."

This kind of example will clarify, for many Jews, how a stand against capital punish-

ment can be consistent with the development of Mosaic law.

Those who wonder whether Jews as Jews should "keep out of things" will find heartening examples of welcome Jewish participation in cleaning up politically corrupt communities, in desegregation movements, in civil rights struggles.

**BUT ASIDE** from outlining the true liberal approach to such problems, the authors are concise in their definition of Jewish action in such complex areas as interfaith movements. They explain just why the slightest encroachment of religion in the schools may lead to sectarianism in our educational system. They are clear and realistic even on such questions as Christmas celebrations in the classroom.

This is a necessary handbook for anyone active in the synagogue—as to others, a reading might activate them.

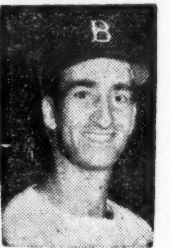
### THE SPORTS POST

## It Was Quite a Trip From Olean To Miami

By GEORGE VASS

Some persons, not so faithful adherents of TV's multitudinous quiz programs as others, may not be aware that the distance from Olean, N.Y., to Miami, Fla., is 1,150 air miles, give or take a few.

This being the case, it might be of some interest to remark that a young man by the name



ABRAMS

of Calvin Ross Abrams required almost 14 years to traverse this relatively short distance.

No, Mr. Abrams did not crawl, creep or walk on his hands. The explanation for his sluggish pace may be found in his curious itinerary.

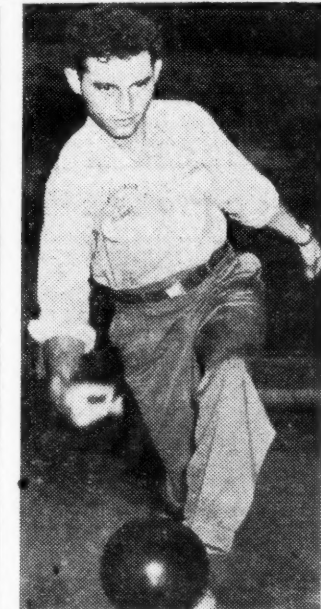
**MR. ABRAMS**, who began life's journey in Philadelphia on March 2, 1924, arrived in Olean during the summer of 1912 to

play the outfield for the local Class D team. His stay was brief. With millions of other young men of his generation he discovered that his country's services required a side trip. For three years he provided the time and Uncle Sam provided the funds for a more or less grand detour.

In 1946, his travels at Uncle Sam's expense terminated, Cal found himself in Danville, Ill. The next two years were spent in Mobile, Ala. From Mobile he went to Ft. Worth, Tex., and from there to Brooklyn. He remained in Flatbush for the better part of four years, less a junket to St. Paul, Minn., in 1950. After Brooklyn came Cincinnati, then Pittsburgh, followed by Baltimore, and with the spring of this year, Chicago.

**HIS CHICAGO** stay was the briefest; with less than a month of the season past, Cal Abrams was released outright to the Miami Marlins.

It being a baseball axiom that it is easier to go from Chicago to Miami than to make the return trip, one may safely assume that Cal Abrams' major league career is in grave jeopardy if indeed not altogether terminated. This being the case, a review of his odyssey might be in order. **ABRAMS' MISFORTUNE** is that his major league career never matched his minor league promise. An invariable .300 hit-



Leads League 7th Time

Morris Cramer, 26-year-old Albany, N.Y., bowler, has won the Classic League's individual pin championship for the seventh successive year. Cramer, who averaged 207 in Eastern New York State's top individual league, has appeared in several National Match Game tournaments in Chicago and recently beat National Match Game champion Bill Lillard in an Albany bowling exhibition.

ter in the bushes, with a high of .345 stroked for Mobile in 1947, he could never quite achieve that mark in the majors, his best being a not-unhandsome .293 for Baltimore in 1954. The 15 home runs he produced for Pittsburgh in 1953 more than doubled his second best season in this department. The same year saw him drive in 43 runs, the peak for his career.

Despite the lack-lustre of his major league play, Cal Abrams was a handy man to have on a baseball team. He provided capable, journeyman-like outfielding for his employers and occasionally gave glimpses of more than ordinary talent.

**IRONICALLY** enough, his final misfortune grew out of what might have been regarded as a stroke of luck, his trade by the

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## WASHINGTON U. SOPH WINS U. S. WEIGHTLIFTING TITLE

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (NJP)—Arnold Bierman, liberal arts sophomore at Washington University here, has won the national intercollegiate weightlifting championship and the Ozark AAU championship, setting eight records in the process.

Bierman shattered all existing records in the bantamweight class, winning with a press of 180 pounds, snatch of 165 pounds, clean and jerk of 230 pounds, giving him a total of 575 points. The previous records were 170, 165, 215, and total 550, respectively.

**POST To Pay Dollar For Sports Items**  
The POST will pay \$1 for tips on sports items from readers. The tips can be clippings from other publications about athletes who are Jewish who may not be known to the sports department of The POST, or of achievements of well-known Jewish athletes that might escape the notice of the far-flung staff of Jewish POST correspondents. Send the items to Sports Editor, National Jewish POST, Box 1633, Indianapolis, Ind.

In the Ozark AAU championship, where he made lifts of 195 press, 185 snatch, and a 250-pound clean and jerk, young Bierman, who weighs only 121 pounds himself, scored a total of 630 points, thus breaking previous records. It was the sixth consecutive year he has won the district championship.

Bierman plans to compete in the National AAU championship.

## Egyptian Sees Israel's Collapse

SALT LAKE CITY (NJP)—Here as part of a three-month tour under the auspices of the U. S. State Department, Col. Kamal A. Hamid, director of mobilization for Egypt, told newspapers here that Israel will eventually collapse of its own accord.

The Egyptian officer said that "time is with us. Israel cannot trade with her neighbors and all her markets in the region are barred." He added that Israel does not have the resources and cannot depend on itself for a living, since more than one-half of the budget is financed from abroad.

Discounting the possibility of Communist infiltration into the Middle East, Col. Hamid declared that Egypt had repulsed 1,800 aggressive acts by Israel in the past 14 months, but had not taken any aggressive action on its own since 1949. He predicted that if war comes to the Middle East, then responsibility would rest squarely on the shoulders of Israel.

### CRUISER FIRES SALUTE

HAIFA—The cruiser USS Albany, the largest United States ship ever to tie up here, arrived recently and fired a 21-gun salute, while her band played the Israel anthem and her crew stood at attention.

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## Girls In Israel Are Much Less Sex-Conscious: Stern Co-ed

By MARGO WOLFF

National Jewish POST Correspondent

NEW YORK (NJP) — Israel girls are much less sex-conscious than Jewish girls in the United States," a freshman at Stern College for Women here told The POST.

This was the view of Tamar Fromer, auburn-haired former member of the Haganah, whose home is Israel and who is a member of the first class of the only Orthodox Jewish school of higher learning for girls. The schools operated by Yeshiva university, and is housed in a building in mid-Manhattan, donated by the man whose name the school bears.

ALTHOUGH seven years older than the average freshman, Tamar, who is an attractive girl, doesn't feel that these years make any difference, or that when she graduates from the Einstein Medical college, which she hopes to attend, after another six years, she will not be "very young."

"Although Israeli girls get married early," she explained, "nobody would consider a girl of 25 or 30 an old maid," she said.

"Marriage in Israel," she added "seldom means the end of a girl's career."

Tamar dates American Jewish boys as often as her studies will permit.

SHE ESPECIALLY loves music, and attending concerts is her favorite pastime. Her special love in music is Beethoven. She also takes piano lessons.

The slim, soft-spoken miss was a far cry from the tough Haganah veteran that helped Israel win its independence. She was a member of the specially-trained shock troops. In fact, she was the only woman commando of the Haganah.

As for her classmates, Jewish girls from all parts of the U. S., Tamar estimates that at least one-fourth of them would like to live in Israel. The remainder, she related, are very much pro-Israel and will undoubtedly find their places in work on behalf of Israel in the U. S.

NEXT TO MUSIC, Tamar's hobby is dancing, which she manages to do as often as the occasion will allow.

Asked if she found her American escorts too forward or less polite than their counterparts in Israel, she smilingly replied with a question of her own, "When a girl behaves nicely, why should her boy-friend do otherwise?"

Orphaned, Miss Fromer spends her Sabbaths with her uncle, ardent Zionist Leon Fromer. In Israel, she lived for several years in a kibbutz. She also served as a nurse during that time.

Tamar expressed confidence that Stern graduates would have no trouble getting jobs in the future. In ten years from now, she prophesied Stern College may be equivalent to a "Jewish Vassar."



TAMAR FROMER  
Former Commando Studies at Stern

### UNUSUAL INCIDENT CORNER

The National Jewish Post will pay \$5.00 for unusual incidents, like the one below. Length of the article is not important, nor is literary style a determining factor. The incidents must be true to life and of general interest to our readers. Address communications to "Unusual Incident Corner," National Jewish Post, Post Office Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

In November, 1941, the parents of my wife, Mr. Albert and Mrs. Carla Elsberg, and her brother, Werner Elsberg, shared the fate of many other Jews of Hamburg—they were deported by the Gestapo towards the east, to Minsk—never to return.

From the deportation train they somehow managed to write—and to forward—a postcard to "Aryan" acquaintances at Hamburg, who lived in the same house. These few lines on a postcard were the last ever to be seen or heard of my wife's next of kin.

That postcard was sent by the friends mentioned above to my wife 10 years later, when they found it among almost forgotten documents. It reached us just when my wife was going to the hospital to give birth to

our first child. Thus, by a strange coincidence, the deported and lost generation in the golah sent, so to speak, its greetings to the generation about to be born in the land of Israel.

PEREZ TURA  
Givataim, Israel

#### Zionist Movement In Tunisia Disbands

JERUSALEM (NJP)—Reports reaching here indicate that the Zionist movement in Tunisia is being disbanded, and that most members have joined the Neo Destur nationalist movement. Information is that the shift has not followed any governmental pressure but was started by Jewish businessmen who wanted to show their allegiance to the liberation party.

Digest of the Yiddish Press

### No Need To Condescend In Depicting Jews

By RABBI SAMUEL M. SILVER



IT IS POSSIBLE to depict Jewish people sympathetically without resorting to dialect and condescension. Latest literary evidence of this fact is the book, "Something About My Father and Other People," in which Charles Angoff continues to describe Boston Jewry of the last generation. High praise for the book is given by The FORWARD's Jacob Reich, who says that Angoff can write good English and make it suggest good Yiddish. Not only are Angoff's sketches readable, writes Reich, they're re-readable!

#### Danny Kaye Wows 'Em In Israel

Danny Kaye was a big hit in Israel, but for a while it looked bad. Traveling abroad for UNICEF, Kaye was waiting for an Egyptian visa in Switzerland when an Israeli reporter reached him for some questions. With one eye on Cairo, Kaye allegedly deprecated his Jewishness and said that an Arab refugee child evoked just as much pity from him as a Jewish one.

When this snifty quote was printed, Israeli editors excoriated the comic and urged people to greet his act with empty seats. Egypt said no, and Kaye came to Israel.

DETERMINED to atone for his coldness, Kaye proceeded to turn on his vigor and charm, and soon had endeared himself to the entire Israeli population by his shenanigans, his denial of the quote, his accolades to Israel and, above all, by his exuberant avowals of his Jewishness.

Reverting to Yiddish, he wisecracked and entertained like mad, and kidded sabras for not knowing mamalashon. He referred to himself everywhere as Danny Kaminsky, thus signed Moshe Sharett's guest book. Obviously, Israel really touched Kaye; he told everyone he was coming back for a longer visit. And after several days of the entertainer's effervescence, Israel found Kaye O.K. (L. Rachman, in The Forward.)

#### U.S. Jewish Girls Spurn Newcomers

I. Shmulevitch, a recent immigrant who writes for The Forward, asserts that Jewish girls in this country tend to spurn recent immigrants as husbands. Al-

though there is a shortage of eligible bachelors in the U.S. and numerous nubile girls are doomed to spinsterhood, many of them would rather have no mates at all than marry a man with an accent.

American girls, Shmulevitch feels, eschew immigrants because they like the carefree spirit of native boys, whereas newcomers are inclined to be more serious especially if they endured persecution. Some lonely immigrant men have gone to Israel in search of European girls but their quest has been futile: Israel suffers from a shortage of girls.

All of them seem to have been frightened by their academic experiences into thinking that books, particularly Jewish books, are "heavy", solemn and very time-consuming. Yet they would like someone to tell them what is in those books, briefly, simply. The rabbi has become not only their "Shabbos-Jew" but also their vicarious reader. — Rabbi Ira Eisenstein, Chicago.

### IT'S THE TRUTH!

By SAMUEL DEUTSCH

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THE DRAFT of the Constitution of the German republic, before Hitler, was prepared by Hugo Preuss—a Jew!

WHEN, IN 1887, a riot occurred in Pittsburgh during a strike which led to skirmishes between the state militia and striking workmen, two Pittsburgh congregations Etz Chaim and Rodef Shalom — immediately opened two free soup kitchens to feed the impoverished workers regardless of their religious affiliations. These were the only two kitchens in the city voluntarily functioning for that purpose during the bloody riots, and the two congregations later were acclaimed by labor organizations throughout the United States for their efforts of mercy!

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## MONTGOMERY, ALA., COLUMNIST HITS HATE-MONGERS

## Attempt To Stir Anti-Semitism In South Hit

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (NJP) Jewish people and to build up — This city, which has been torn by the strike of Negro bus riders against the segregation in the city transportation vehicles, was warned recently that the intrusion of anti-Semitism into the picture would only lead to "hatred of Catholics, Mormons, Adventists, hatred of any denomination that someone decides to resent."

The warning was contained in a frank, hard-hitting column by Joe Azbell, in The Montgomery Advertiser.

AZBELL, whose column is headed "City Limits," opened with the announcement that "Thousands of Montgomerians have received literature in the mails attacking persons of the Jewish faith."

"There is only one purpose in this literature," he continued, "to cause more trouble for our community, to cause strife in our city, to arouse a hatred toward

resentment in Montgomery toward people who believe in a religion that is different from their own.

"The vast majority of thinking people won't believe this bunk that the Jews are a part of a conspiracy to capture control of the world. They will laugh at it, and toss the propaganda sheets in the trash cans . . . But it is the small minority that may be sucker enough to fall for the dribble that is of concern."

CONTINUING, Azbell declared that through the years the Jewish people have been an integral part of the community's life.

"IN NO OTHER CITY in this country," he says "could there be a finer group of Jewish citizens."

"THEY CONTRIBUTE to all of our charities; they head our civic drives; they help the poor and the sick; they never ask the religion of those they help.

They have helped make Montgomery the progressive, civic-minded community it has become.

"BUT NO GROUP is altogether perfect, and there may be one or two people of the Jewish faith who do not measure up to all of the standards of others. But that would be true in a Baptist church or a Methodist church or in a business organization."

"The vast majority are good, home-loving people who want to live in peace without hate or resentment."

A Jew baiter, says Azbell, should be looked on as a thief of freedom, particularly in the middle of the crisis in which Montgomery finds itself.

"We should turn on these hate merchants with all of our force and stamp out any progress they have made, before it grows," he declared.

## I THINK AS I PLEASE

## Israel Returns To Normal After Danny Kaye Leaves

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA — Danny Kaye has left Israel, and the country is slowly beginning to return to normal. During the four-day visit of the American entertainer, Israel literally stood on its head, and gave vent to a mass hysteria and an exhibitionism which was almost terrifying. For the first time, I was genuinely ashamed of the Israelis and their actions.



ALPERT

However, no one could ever have expected the reaction to Danny Kaye's personal appearance. To say that his every public step was mobbed is an understatement. Young and old alike descended almost to jungle tactics to get close enough to see him, to touch him. To hear his voice was considered the acme of success. And this in a country which in recent years has seen a long procession of truly great men in every field of entertainment, science, politics and public life, generally.

## 15,000 Kids See Kaye In Haifa

Kaye's shows in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem were repetitions of what occurred in Haifa, varying only in scale and detail. Here 15,000 children gathered in one of the public parks to see the "great man." Parents could not be restrained, and they swarmed in, too. Paralytic polio patients who had been placed in the front rows, were ruthlessly brushed aside in the mad rush when the actor came upon the scene, and the entire human mass began pushing, pressing, crushing forward, despite the agonized cries of children as they fell and were trampled underfoot. Stretcher crews rushed to the scene, and injured children were carried off to the hospital. The crowd never let up in its madness, and the program was abandoned, while the actor was whisked out the back way.

Policemen, who were supposed to help maintain order, abandoned their posts and elbowed their way into the crowds to get better views of the star. City and other officials unashamedly surrounded Kaye, gazing upon him with ardent devotion, but effectively hiding him from sight of the semi-crazed audience.

In those places where enough quiet was restored to enable the program to continue, it was soon revealed that Danny Kaye had little to offer. He was Borscht Circuit at its commonest variety. Yet the crowd was always in an uncritical mood, and the slightest provocation was enough to send them into gales of laughter. After they had returned home, and some of the mass hysteria had been dispelled, people wondered why they had laughed so much, merely because a comedian had occasionally said "Got-tenyoo," or had used other Yiddish expressions, some of them in very cheap fashion.

## Kaye Leaves National Hangover

The awakening after Danny Kaye's departure has been painful. There is a great national hangover, and a new mass feeling of shame and contrition. People ask themselves how it has been possible for a nation as cultured as Israel, and with such high intellectual standards, to behave the way they did. It has been no consolation to remind each other, as many are now doing, that the reception to Danny Kaye was the maddest and the wildest accorded any visitor from abroad since the visit here of Arturo Toscanini some 20 years ago, when the maestro came to conduct the Philharmonic Orchestra. Neither Weizmann, or Ben-Gurion ever got the kind of reception which Danny Kaye got.

And in the cold hard light of the morning after, Israelis are beginning to examine the stale jokes, and to study with concern the superficial views of the visiting actor. His protestations of love for Zion and for the Jewish people sounded hollow in view of contradicting stories which people here just refused to believe in the first burst of their enthusiasm. One of his last audiences, a sophisticated Tel Aviv gathering, somehow refused to be warmed up, and if Kaye had remained for another week, a great wave of popular revulsion would undoubtedly have set in.

At any rate, the Danny Kaye episode has caused much soul-searching, and is being looked upon as a sort of spiritual catharsis. A lot of nonsense and cheap hero worship has been swept out of our system, and Israelis, traditionally cynical, are now prepared to look upon all comers with a skeptical and jaundiced eye. Back to normalcy.

## HEBREW WRITING FOUND

JERUSALEM — Two Hebrew inscriptions found recently at Massada, an ancient Jewish fortress overlooking the Dead sea, by an archaeological expedition conducted under the auspices of the Hebrew university antiquities department, were the first to be discovered at the site.

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## OBITUARIES

## DR. JUDAH EISENSTEIN, 101, SCHOLAR, WRITER, EDITOR

NEW YORK (NJP)—Dr. Judah Eisenstein, 101 years old, Hebrew and Yiddish scholar, writer editor and publisher, died Thursday, May 17, in his home here.

Dr. Eisenstein, who is credited in 1891, with publishing the first Hebrew and Yiddish translations of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, compiled, wrote and edited some 70 volumes. He was editor and publisher of "Otzar Yisrael," a Hebrew encyclopedia in ten volumes circulated throughout the world.

In 1952, the Jewish Theological Seminary conferred upon him an honorary doctor of letters degree. A friend of Solomon Schechter, Bernard Revel, Chaim Weizmann, and Justice Louis D. Brandeis, Dr. Eisenstein traveled

extensively in Europe, Asia, and Africa, and made five trips to Palestine.

Among his survivors is his grandson, Rabbi Ira Eisenstein of Anshe Emet synagogue of Chicago.

## Louis J. Haas, 67

GLOUCESTER, Mass. — Rabbi Louis J. Haas, 67, spiritual leader of Temple Ahavath Achim, died here Thursday, May 17. Rabbi Haas had served congregations in Harrisburg and Reading, Pa.; Stanford, Conn.; and Woodside, Queens, N.Y.

## Avraham Nissan, 68

JERUSALEM (NJP) — Avraham Nissan, 68, former Israel minister to Scandinavia, died Thursday, May 17, in Petah Tikva, following an illness. Before his last appointment, he served with the Israel delegation to the United Nations.

## Murray Stand, 59

NEW YORK (NJP)—Over 1,400 persons attended funeral serv-

## Cultural Center Opened In Prison

JERUSALEM (NJP) — If you have to go to prison, you'd probably prefer Maasi-yahu Prison at Ramle.

The prison recently opened a new cultural center with the presentation of "The Caine Mutiny," under the direction of a member of the Habima Theatre Co.

The prison is the most modern in Israel and affords inmates an opportunity to learn crafts. They also can work as farmers while technically still prisoners.

ices held for Murray W. Stand, 59, city clerk of New York, who died while saying kaddish during Shavuot services in New York's Civic Center synagogue.

Four hundred city, state and federal officials, as well as his many friends, packed into the Gramercy Park Memorial chapel, with 1,000 waiting outside, to pay tribute to Stand, for his 40 years of public service.

## Other Recent Deaths:

Salo Katzman, 52, vice-president of the Associated Metals and Minerals corporation, Thursday, May 17, the Bronx . . . Mrs. Alma Kempner Kleiner, 65 wife of Dr. Israel S. Kleiner, professor of biochemistry at New York Medical college, Monday, May 14, New York . . . Louis Magaziner, 78, an architect, who designed among other buildings, the Sidney Hillman Medical center and the Mount Sinai hospital, now part of the Einstein Medical center, and the Hillel foundation at the Pennsylvania State university, Saturday, May 19, Philadelphia. . .

Also, Louis Rosenzweig, 78, active Zionist who gave much of his time and money to Jewish charities, Monday, May 21, Brooklyn.

## CHIEF CHAPLAIN ARRIVES

HAIFA — Capt. Joshua Goldberg, chief Jewish chaplain of the American Navy, arrived here recently on board the cruiser USS Albany.

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## WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT By HELEN COHEN

### Moving To Suburbs By Jews Defended



The POST carried a story not long ago, something to the effect that as the population of neighborhoods changed, and as the members of the Jewish group moved into a section, the non-Jews moved out, with the accompanying result that the neighborhood deteriorated.

This may have been true for another time and especially for crowded cities, but it doesn't sound exactly accurate in describing the exodus going on today, at least in this middle-Western town.

It is my impression that in today's move to the suburbs, far from dogging the footsteps of the non-Jew, our group is, if not leading the way, at least part of the same wave.

WE HAVE a tendency to criticize ourselves about this proclivity among our people for wanting only the best, the finest homes in the nicest neighborhoods, nothing but the best—it has to be a mink if its fur, a Cadillac if its on wheels, a cashmere if its a sweater. But let's try to be charitable and reason why.

Our people came over eager to become part of their new land, eager to learn the new ways, intelligent, ambitious to improve their living conditions. Always before they had been restricted. Seldom welcome anywhere, they must live only in such and such areas, only enter such and such lines of business and once a bit of a living was accumulated, it was as likely as not to be snatched from them by a stirred-up and drunken peasantry on a binge. Lucky they were to escape with their lives.

HERE, THEY all at once found themselves almost completely free to live where they pleased, and, yes, free also to earn the money for the home they desired. Bright, industrious and quick to learn, who wouldn't seize the opportunity?

And clannish, too: If they

saw a cousin or a friend, surely, they reasoned, no better than themselves, acquire a lovely new home, why not they themselves? And as they piled their children into the car for a ride on a Sunday and passed the beautiful, even fancy homes in the better sections, who could blame them for setting their sights in that direction? That seemed to them to be one of the goals in the new land. See how they learned so quickly to adjust in the many other ways?

The ideal for women was a slim figure and simple casual clothes. Grandmas quickly shed their portly ways and soon joined the rest of the smartly dressed ladies. The ideal for leisure hours was golf and bowling and bridge. Soon enough they were in step. Community service? Support for such cultural activities as the Symphony? Right in there pitching.

HAVE I MADE my point? There is one other observation I especially want to make. I believe it is a healthier situation today, better for our morale and self-respect, with the trend to contemporary, ranch-type building. When the Jewish group did move into the shucked off, stately homes left by those on the move, they might indeed have felt like interlopers, gauche newly rich, out of place in an environment steeped in traditions of which they had no part. All the dignity and pomp and even ancestor worship that might be part of such homes, the formal rooms suitable for formal entertaining, the traditional furniture and antiques and inherited silver and china, all this could make a body feel uncomfortable for sure.

But the new homes, even the more elaborate contemporary styles, are clearly geared for simple, casual living with modern, casual interiors. And in this environment one fellow American has no more priority than the next.

## FRIENDS OF ISRAEL WITHDRAWS FROM FIELD

NEW YORK (NJP)—The activities of the American Friends of Israel "are not now being enlarged," The POST was told this week.

The news followed an inquiry by The POST about Sidney Lubarr, who was named professional head of the Friends several months ago. Lubarr recently took a position with the Israel Bond organization.

Formation of the American Friends, the first new pro-Israel organization to be launched in years, was announced in February (NJP, Feb. 17, '56).

PLANS AT that time called for establishing branches in a dozen major cities in the United States, with a New York office to be opened in a matter of days.

At the beginning of March, Superior Court Judge Henry L. Burman of Chicago was named Midwest director (NJP, March 2, '56) with an executive committee of top leaders in that community. Also, Louis H. Boyer, Los Angeles home builder, accepted the chairmanship there.

BEHIND THE launching of the Friends was Henry Monitor, who has raised more money for Israel than any other living Jew, while president of the organization was Rudolph G. Sonnenborn.

The POST learned that the opposition to the American Friends of Israel came from the Jewish Agency, and the Zionist Organization of America. Israel is supposed to have taken a

hands-off policy in the matter on the grounds that this was an internal matter of the U. S. Jewish community.

### DELEGATES IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM—Sports delegations from England, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, and France came to Israel recently to take part in a Hapoel conference.

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### Detroit Birth Rate Too Low, Although Income Is High

## Survey Shows Jewry Hardly Reproducing

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (NJP)—If the present trend continues, the Jews of Detroit are heading toward extinction.

The average size of the Jewish family in Detroit is not sufficient for population replacement, according to a recent study of the adult population of greater Detroit by David Goldberg and Harry Sharp of the University of Michigan.

CONSIDERING the proportion of Jews who never marry and current mortality rates, the average Jewish couple in that city must have approximately 2.5 to 2.6 children in order to replace itself. As matters now stand, however, the average number of children born to Jews is only slightly above 2, the survey shows.

In addition, the present figure includes the families of European-born Jews, who appear to have much larger families than natives, and mostly women over 40, who are not apt to have any more children.

Comparing only the young Jews to other groups, the study finds that the Jews are having less children than couples in any other religious group.

THE REASON is not non-marriage, the study finds.

Less than one out of every 10 adult Jews, or non-Jews, in Detroit has never married.

Comparatively more Jews than non-Jews lived in foreign countries.

ALMOST FOUR out of every 10 Jewish migrants previously lived in United States cities of 100,000 population, compared to 16 per cent of Catholic or white Protestants.

Put differently, the data shows that 93 per cent of the Jews never lived on a farm.

As for origin, one out of every three Jewish adults in Detroit is an immigrant; and only one-tenth of the family heads are from families that have been in the United States two or more generations. The original

nationality of one-half of the Jewish families is Russian.

Economically, almost one half of the Jewish family heads are self-employed, although only 10 per cent or less of the non-Jewish family men work for themselves.

THE MEDIAN annual income of the heads of Jewish families was, from 1951 to 1954, \$6,200, and one-third of them earned \$10,000.

Completely different was home ownership. Only about one-half of the Jewish families owned their own homes, compared to 7 out of 10 Catholics and white Protestants.

The study shows also that seven out of ten Jews and 16 per cent of the Jewish adults go to their synagogues every week; one-fourth go at least once a month; and 62 per cent a few times a year (mostly during the High Holy Days). Of those who attend every month, one out of four represents persons with a median age over 60.

## Teen Talk

By JUDY FALLER

### Teen-Age Driving

Convertible or coupe—sedan or station wagon, the family car is often the cause of heated debates between our parents and us teens.

When there are two or more licensed drivers in a household, harmony can be maintained by arranging a sharing system. A daughter or son might earn the use of the automobile by driving younger brothers and sisters, or by running errands to the library, butcher, or cleaners. When the tasks are accomplished he can use the car for his own plans.

With no boys of dating age, we Paller do not feel the "Saturday night bite"; but it is no secret that the walls rock in many homes when son requests the keys for a prom on the same night that Mom and Dad are invited to a cocktail party.

THERE ARE no magic words that can settle the question of who retains possession. It is a matter to be worked out by the family members themselves. If you have heard about any unusual ways of cooperating on

the share-the-car plan, we would like to know about them.

We know several young men who have earned the money to buy their own cars. They seem to take greater pride in them than the boys who are given cars as gifts by their parents. They feel a sense of accomplishment and responsibility, and therefore are often more careful drivers.

A GIRL rarely buys her own car, but those we know whose parents have given them automobiles of their own are conscientious in keeping them clean and in good running order.

Recalling the pre-driving days, when our dates would sit for hours and discuss MG's, Jaguars, and other "fascinating" vehicles while we were forgotten, we asked them about buying cars. It appears that \$600 will buy a used car in minimum running condition. However, a boy should have a well-paying job or generous parents if he expects to stay abreast of the upkeep on the \$600 auto. It's sometimes better to spend more in the first place.

IN INDIANA, 16th birthday is really Sweet, for it means the teen is old enough to apply for a beginner's license. Age is not enough though, because he has to pass an eye test and a written multiple-choice exam before he receives the small white paper entitling him to drive if there is a licensed driver in the car.

After 30 days, he may try to obtain his regular license by taking a driving test behind-the-wheel.

In other parts of the country,

18 is the minimum driving age. When do you think teens should be allowed to drive?

MANY OF us think that 16 is the right age, especially if the teen has taken driver's education in his high school. There he not only has daily classroom work, but drives in a dual control car with a trained teacher at least once a week.

It is generally conceded that parents are not the best driving teachers. They find it difficult to keep calm when Junior strips the gears and roars away in the family car—they have too much at stake. Learn from an impartial adult—saves parental wear and tear.

### SS. ATZMAUT SOLD

HAIFA — The 10,000-ton SS. Atzmaut, purchased by ZIM in 1952, and named after the "illegal" immigrant ship, which was dismantled a year earlier, was recently sold to an Italian company and, in the future, will sail under the Costa Rican flag.

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## Nice, Isn't It, To See All The Fruits On The Market Again?

Isn't it nice to see all the fruits on the market again?

The first cherries of the season always make me overeat. My family, fortunately, enjoys cherries as much as I do, so it seems no hardship when these delightful small fruits appear in many guises. Just at the time of year when the balabosta is weary of all the old menus, along come berries, fruits and vegetables to perk up the planning.

On warm days what could be more enticing with the milchig meal than a cup or plate of fruit soup with its rich color enhanced by the generous spoonful of sour cream placed in the center at the last minute before serving? Time now, too, for other cold soups. Even before a hot meal they delight the eye and the appetite.

### COLD CUCUMBER SOUP

- 1 quart buttermilk
- 1 pint sour cream
- 2 cooked beets, chopped

- 2 cucumbers, peeled and diced
- 2 scallions, sliced thin
- 1½ tsps. salt
- 1 tblsp chopped fresh dill or parsley

Beat the buttermilk and sour cream together until smooth. Add the salt and vegetables. Mix well. Chill thoroughly. Serve with hot boiled potatoes. Serves 6.

### FRUIT BOWL SOUP

- 2 oranges, peeled and sliced
- 2 stalks rhubarb, cut into pieces
- 4 slices fresh pineapple, cubed
- 1 cup strawberries
- 1 cup pitted cherries
- 6 cups water
- 1 cup brown sugar or honey
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp cinnamon
- 2 tsps. lemon juice
- 1 cup sour cream

Combine the fruits, water, and seasoning. Boil for 20 minutes. If a smooth soup is desired, puree after cooling, using an electric blender, or forcing through a sieve. Chill, then stir in sour cream. Serves 6.

### TOMATO AND CUCUMBER SOUP

- 1 large can stewed tomatoes, sieved
- 1 tblsp. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. grated onion
- pepper to taste
- ½ cucumber, grated
- sour cream
- parsley

Blend all ingredients except the cream and parsley. Chill. Then stir in cream. Sprinkle with chopped parsley or garnish with spring of parsley when serving.

Serves 4 to 6.

### EGGPLANT CREOLE

- 1 medium eggplant, peeled and cubed
- 1 green pepper, washed and cut into strips
- 1 onion chipped
- 1 small can tomato sauce, or 2 tomatoes, peeled
- salt and pepper to taste

Put vegetables and tomato sauce in a saucepan. Cover and cook over moderate heat 15 minutes or until eggplant is tender. Add salt and pepper to taste. Good served with boiled rice, or as a side dish with chicken.

### TUNA AND SOURCREAM MARINADE

- 2 7-oz. cans tuna fish, chunk style

- 2 tsps. lemon juice
- 2 tsps. chopped scallions
- ½ tsp. salt
- dash of cloves
- dash of pepper
- 1 cup sour cream

Drain tuna fish and separate into bite-sized chunks. Mix the remaining ingredients and pour over the fish. Chill.

### FISH AND VEGETABLE STEW

- 3 lbs. fish, trout or pickerel or other firm-fleshed fish
- 2 tsps. shortening
- 2 tsps. flour
- ½ cup each: diced green beans, celery, carrots, eggplant, green pepper, cabbage, lime beans, peas
- 2 potatoes, sliced
- 2 tomatoes, peeled and sliced
- 2 onions, sliced
- 1 cup water
- salt and pepper to taste

Mix the vegetables together and pour into a large baking dish. Place the fish slices on top of the vegetables. Dot with shortening and dredge with the flour. Season. Pour in water. Bake 50 minutes at 350 degrees or until the potatoes are tender. Fish should be lightly browned on top. Serve in the baking dish. A good one-dish meal. Serves 6.

### A Word To The Wives

From now on until the end of summer my refrigerator always has a jar or two of commercially prepared borscht and schav for last-minute refreshment.

A cold soup makes an excellent drink served in a tall glass. And when the herbs in our backyard garden start growing, a snip of basil, dill or savory will add to the flavor of soups, salads and egg dishes.

On the first warm days someone in the family is sure to say he isn't a bit hungry. But the refrigerator door opening and closing makes me think if the right foods are ready, jaded appetites can be tempted.

### Bernard A. Straus Dies At Infirmary

Bernard A. Straus, 2505 Valley Vista Road, died at 7:30 p. m. Friday, May 4, at Norton Infirmary.

Survivors are his wife, Frances, son, Julius Straus, father, Albert Straus, and brother Herman Straus of Stamford, Conn.

Funeral was from Herman Meyer and Son, with burial in Adath Israel Cemetery.

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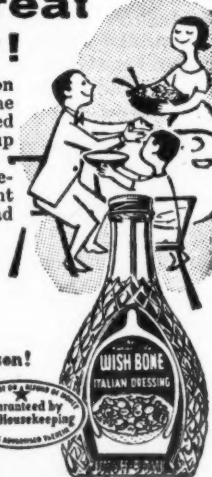
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It was not an inspiring Congress. Consideration should be given to the possibility of holding the next Zionist Congress outside of Israel.—Rabbi Israel Goldstein.

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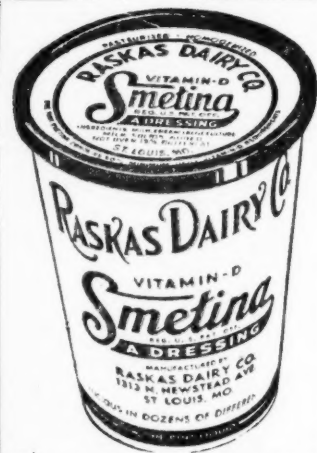
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### NEW YORK

## Confusion and Groping Stalls Zionism in U. S.

By M. Z. FRANK

What is the difference between the average ZOA member and the average B'nai B'rith member in their respective activities to Israel?

For one thing, the former is more ready to do something politically when Israel is in danger or needs help: He has the machinery for it. He also has a vague idea that he is pledged to support the General Zionist party in Israel and to fight the domination of the Histadrut. If he is part of the active minority which actually supports that policy, then he is full of venom against the Labor regime in Jerusalem.

He is even ready to give a few pennies to help the General Zionists in Israel win the election. A few pennies—that's all: Before the last elections for the Israel Knesset the campaign fund raised in this country amounted to \$30,000 in cash and \$8,000 in pledges—enough to pay somebody's salary and expenses and thus create a vested interest, but not enough to affect the Knesset elections.

If the ZOA member happens to belong to the minority that disagrees with the ZOA policy, he may tell somebody to go fly a kite.

**WHAT IS THE** difference between the average member of the ZOA and the average member of the LZO (Labor Zionist)? The latter takes more pride in Ben-Gurion (the ZOA also does, but not so intimately) and officially thinks Mapai can do no wrong. Unofficially, he may be as full of gripes as a ZOA member, especially if he is a tourist-investor.

One of his special gripes is that Mapai in Israel think they can get along pretty well without him and that the younger Mapai men who come here on official business do not even try to fool him that they have much respect for him. Another gripe is that B-G. entertains the embarrassing notion, which he says out loud, that a Zionist ought to go to Israel.

Apart from a community of gripes, the ZOA and the LZO are also held together by a community of delusions including delusions about each other: The LZO think that the ZOA is a powerful organization; the ZOA think that the power of the Histadrut in Israel stems from the support it gets from the Labor Zionists in America.

**SUPPOSE THE ZOA** and the

LZO form one organization, then what? If no new functions are found for Zionists, then the merger will amount to the addition of two zeros. If a new function, a new content, are found, then, of course, it is better to act together than separately—at least, where there is no fundamental difference of views.

But the important thing still is: What is the function? According to Mordecai Kaplan, the function should be a) for Zionism to declare the eternal and sacred nature of Jewish Dispersion; b) for Israel and the Zionist movement to go Reconstructionist.

Point (a) would exclude from the Zionist movement people who are convinced that in the long run Jews living outside of Israel will either have to emigrate or will be assimilated, and people who have no opinion on the matter—and they are in the vast majority. So who will remain?

**AS TO** Point (b), it is this way: Ben-Gurion is not likely to found a Reconstructionist foundation in Sde Boker. Some leaders of Hadassah belong to the Society of Advancement for Judaism anyway and those that won't join the Reconstructionist movement cannot be coerced into it by a resolution. After all, a definition of Zionism which doesn't fit B-G., Emanuel Neumann and Ben Halpern is a definition of something else, not of Zionism. So how do you make it work?

According to Nahum Goldmann, the solution lies in the Zionists getting a large enough budget from the UJA to open day schools. Well, suppose you get the budget, how many of the 300,000 members of Hadassah are ready to send their children to day schools?

**ACCORDING** to the definition of Midstream, Zionism means the questioning of the Jewish status quo. Which status quo? The two basic facts in the Jewish reality today are that Israel exists and American Jews are anxious to insure its existence. That is a status quo which Baruch Zuckerman accepts and, lehavdil, William Zuckerman rejects. Is William Zuckerman the Zionist?

So we see, that at the highest intellectual levels of organized Zionism there is still confusion and groping and a refusal to deal with hard realities.

The Zionist Congress recently held in Jerusalem has done nothing to improve the situation.

## Russia May Permit Rabbinical School

NEW YORK—Jewish circles are awaiting confirmation of a statement by Chief Rabbi S. M. Schliffer, of Moscow, that the government plans to permit the opening of a Jewish seminary and the sale of kosher meat.

The announcement was made by Rabbi Schliffer at services Thursday.

The news follows an earlier announcement that a Hebrew Bible was being printed in Russia, plus the granting of visas to two delegations of U. S. rabbis to visit the USSR.

If you want to know what is going on in any part of the U.S. Jewish community, read **THE JEWISH POST**.

## Invited To Visit USSR

TEL AVIV (NJP)—Dr. Nahum Goldmann has announced receipt of a letter from Rabbi Shlomo Shliffer inviting him to visit Moscow. The letter, parts of which were made public here, told Dr. Goldmann that "your presence in the Soviet capital will be highly appreciated and should a delegation of the World Jewish Congress be arriving in Moscow, it would be highly desirable that you should be among the delegates."

Dr. Goldman, said his visit to Moscow may shortly be implemented.

## FORT DIGGERS REGISTER

JERUSALEM—Registration of volunteers to dig fortifications here were opened by the mayor's office this week.



# PEARL BUCK HALTS WRITING TO CHINESE JEWISH FRIENDS

By BERN SHARFMAN

National Jewish POST Correspondent  
HARRISBURG, Pa. (NJP) — Noted author Pearl Buck, who wrote "Peony," a book about Chinese Jews, in 1948, told reporters here that she hasn't written to her Chinese Jewish friends ever since the Communists came in-  
to power for fear that corres-ponding with her would cause them harm.

In Harrisburg to receive an award for her work with re-  
tarded children, she said that Chinese Jews, like other Chinese liberals, might well be suffer-  
ing under the Communist regime because they were always non-  
conformists.

Basing her observations on the knowledge of the Chinese people she gained 20 years ago, Pearl Buck said she doubts if the Chi-

nese Jews have any strong feel-ings about Israel.  
"Chinese culture is different than that in many countries," she noted. "Individually, they may be Jewish, Baptist, Catho-  
lic or what have you, but they still retain this intensely strong identification with the over-all Chinese community."

She said, however, that the younger Chinese Jews might well

have such feelings but their par-  
ents would not. She could not speak for the younger genera-  
tion, she said, because she has been out of contact too long. She noted that many Jews came to China and settled in Shanghai, fleeing from Hitler's persecu-  
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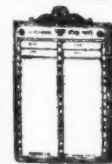
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## The EDITOR'S CHAIR

For at least two years or so we have been trying to get a peep at the first preliminary reports on the gigantic survey of Jewish education being undertaken by Dr. Oscar Janowsky, who made a similar survey of the Jewish content of Jewish Community Centers a few years back.

We began hearing things about the findings of the survey through our news bureau in New York as Dr. Janowsky made preliminary reports to various groups. We were told that the report of the Cleveland survey was in the nature of a bomb-shell but still we weren't able to get anyone to talk.

Finally, I ran into Libby Braverman, who is an educator in her own right, and she promised to have a copy of the Cleveland survey mailed to me. True to her word, I received the survey perhaps five or six weeks ago. About the same time I received a copy of a talk which Dr. Janowsky had made about his survey, and the two seemed to me to be part of the same news story, which I hoped to write.

BUT THE days stretched into weeks, and we still haven't had a chance to read the survey. Then this past week, Dr. Samuel Margoshes, the columnist for The Day-Journal, printed a short paper which Dr. Janowsky had read, and that robbed me of a scoop, so that, following journalistic precepts, I now have to give credit to Dr. Margoshes, which I'm happy to do, for reprinting something from his column which has been on my desk for weeks.

The pertinent paragraphs from Dr. Janowsky's report are quite revolutionary, if we consider it in the light of its destruction of previously held beliefs about the failure of most Jewish education.

Dr. Janowsky said:

"You no doubt hold to the stereotype of Jewish education in America—that vast numbers of children receive no Jewish education; that children are hostile to the Jewish school; that the parents had no Jewish education and are disinterested; that community leaders are unconcerned and unfriendly.

All this is untrue. We have found that 80 per cent and more of their children receive some Jewish schooling, and three-fourths of them like the Hebrew school. The vast majority of the parents, too, attended some Jewish school, and the parents are concerned that their children receive Jewish education. They hope for a better Jewish education than they received. They like the Jewish schools and teachers, the subjects.

"The communal leaders, too, are eager to extend and improve Jewish education. When we make recommendations, they approve and find the necessary funds.

"The children come to the schools, but the schools fail to keep them. They stay only a short time, and learn little that is relevant to their lives. The bar mitzva is still the goal of Jewish education, and the inevitable caterer its spiritual content.

"A cultural vacuum attracts vagaries. Lavish catered bar mitzvas are the vogue. The Hebrew teacher is forgotten. Little wonder that the teacher situation is appalling. Hebrew teaching as a profession is fast disappearing. In one community, one-half of the Hebrew teachers teach 10 hours a week or less and are paid accordingly."

These paragraphs reveal two

The evident confusion of Mr. Eisenhower when he was asked the question about Saudi Arabia's barring of United States Jews even if in the armed and diplomatic service is evidence enough that Mr. Dulles and Maxwell Rabb, the President's advisor on minority matters, have not thought it necessary to inform him about the feelings of United States Jews in this matter.

The National Jewish Post was among the first to call on the government to rectify this intolerable situation which permitted foreign governments to discriminate against United States citizens.

This was followed by the American Jewish Congress, and, of course, by other United States Jewish organizations.

Why Mr. Dulles deemed this matter of such inconsequence that he did not call Mr. Eisenhower's attention to it is his business, but it is the business of United States Jews who, thus being discriminated against, got no hearing from the responsible department of their own government, to ask why.

The latest organization to criticize the United States State Department for implicit acquiescence in the discrimination was the American Jewish Committee. This important United States Jewish agency also got the same treatment from Mr. Dulles, as President Eisenhower's answer to the question at his press conference clearly shows.

In our issue of Aug. 19, 1955, The POST wrote:

We believe the acceptance by the United States government and by the United States Jewish community, too, of the bar by the Arab nations against United States Jewish travelers is not being taken with the seriousness that it deserves.

The ban has been extended to the armed forces, and this is so

## ORTHODOXY'S LAST HOPE IS ISRAEL

The solution that seems to have been worked out in Israel in connection with the observance of the Sabbath is the one that has evolved in the United States. This solution is that anything regarding the community officially shall follow the precepts of Jewish law, while individually the Jew may do as he wishes.

As a result of this compromise in the United States, public Jewish dinners are strictly kosher, even though the people who arranged for the kosher banquet never eat kosher except at the time of these banquets.

In Israel, the decision in the Haifa Industrial Exhibition case followed this pattern. Since the Haifa municipality was concerned, this then was a public affair in the same sense as are the dinners of a Jewish federation in the United States or a United States Jewish convention.

These compromises take time to work themselves out, and, of course, they favor the Orthodox position, for it means an advance for their viewpoint, even though it does not grant them the total observance that they wish.

In Tel Aviv and Jerusalem such a compromise had already been effected, although this *raison d'être* may not have been articulated. But in Haifa, where the buses still run on Saturday, Mayor Abba Hushi, strong individualist that he is, had been able to maintain the position that to stop buses on Saturday was to penalize Jews who were not observant.

This is true, and in a perfect society, no one would be deprived of any right. But unfortunately we are living in a human society, and as such we live in a series of compromises.

Just what the long-range determination of the problem will be, no one can predict. It involves not alone riding on the Sabbath, or the opening of exhibitions on the Sabbath, but any kind of traffic on the Sabbath, and such sports as swimming, etc., which draw thousands to the beaches and pools on the Sabbath.

related facts. One is that from had been made. Today practical-Jewish education. As this concern seeps down into the individual home, the child, who will always follow the practices (not preachments) set by the parent, will understand the importance of a Jewish education, and the whole process will be transformed.

The survey shows the concern whole process will be transformed. But at least one step forward of the official community with

flagrant that the wonder is that the Jews of the United States have not risen up in protest.

This is really an outrageous situation.

Senator Lehman's reply to the armed forces for yielding the Arab ban should not be allowed to die for lack of being followed up.

The responsible Jewish organizations should take up the matter and let the State Department know that United States Jews will travel wherever any United States person is permitted to go, and that no foreign government can, with impunity, single out United States Jews for different treatment than any other United States citizens.

We recognize, of course, the origin of the ban. But what happens between Israel and the Arab nations cannot be allowed to affect the rights and privileges of citizenship of United States Jews.

We don't know what it takes to make Mr. Dulles understand that this is not an embarrassing situation which is better off left ignored. If United States Jews do not carry this matter to the limits, then a serious infringement in the rights of United States Jews, and for that matter any group of Americans, will have been recorded as a precedent for the future.

We suggest that Mr. Dulles brief the President. That having been done, we feel that this business will be ended promptly. We are not recommending the calling for a volunteer regiment of Jews now in the armed service for duty at the United States base in Saudi Arabia, but in another day and under another State Department this kind of forthright action would have solved the matter once and for all.

The Orthodox rabbinate understands the nature of the problem. We have said before that a solution, no doubt along the lines of a compromise, will be worked out quicker in Israel than elsewhere.

In the diaspora, such is the indifference to Jewish discipline, that the Orthodox rabbi loses out whichever path he chooses. If he is adamant about obeying the particulars of Jewish law, he loses his congregants and most often his pulpit, too. If he tries to compromise, he is soon engulfed and almost nothing is left of observance.

The wise United States Orthodox rabbi therefore exercises patience, and seeks slowly to rebuild in his congregants a sense of the need for discipline, and discerning the change in the Jewish community as a whole, is enheartened by signs of a willingness to accept the yoke of Judaism.

In Israel, however, there is a direct confrontation between Orthodoxy and the need for living as a Jew in modern society. The environment is such as to foster Jewish belief and compromise in such an environment is one thing, while compromise in the United States is like trying to stem an angry flood.

In other words, Orthodox Judaism, if it hopes to survive as the dominant kind of Judaism, has its last opportunity in Israel. Wise, intelligent direction by the Orthodox rabbinate will cause to evolve in Israel the kind of Judaism which can be practiced without sacrificing intelligence, while at the same time holding fast to all the eternal verities of Judaism.

The cause of Orthodoxy as the dominant belief outside of Israel is more or less lost, and the only hope in the diaspora is for the influence of Orthodoxy on Conservatism and Reform, which incidentally is not inconsiderable. Whatever kind of Orthodoxy survives in the diaspora will not be the Orthodoxy that was known and, as is still considered ideal, that flourished in Europe.

## NASAH:

The Ascetic Tradition in Judaism

By RABBI J. J. WEINSTEIN

The discovery of the Manual of Discipline in Khirbat Qumran has awakened interest in all sectarian groups that were somehow bypassed by the mainstream of Judaism. Such a group was that of the Nazirites who are described in the sedra of this week. They were persons who took upon themselves the solemn oath not to let a razor come upon their hair, or strong drink upon their lips; nor to touch the dead.

These were oaths taken by people who had come through some great danger or crisis, or who were burdened by some great guilt. The normal outlets of prayer, sacrifice, confession and atonement were not sufficient for them.

THEY UNDERTOOK a more severe discipline in the conviction that the renunciation of the flesh was a way of strengthening the spirit. Scholars believe that the Rechabites were an even earlier monastic order of this kind.

From the brief descriptions of Philo and Josephus, the Essenes were also an ascetic order. If the Judaen Covenanters (the Yachad) of the Dead Sea Scrolls were Essenes, as many scholars now think, there can be no doubt that asceticism was an essential part of their discipline.

The fact that the sect lived in the wilderness, far away from the cities and the rich farm land, the fact that they delivered their personal wealth into the keeping of the supervisors, and that they were to give themselves to constant meditation in order that the mysterious knowledge of God might illumine them and make them ready for the teacher of righteousness—all point in this direction.

THE MANUAL reveals that the Covenanters made a sharp distinction between body and spirit, between good and evil, between God and Beliel—a kind of dualism that is almost inevitable with those who eschew the body and despise matter.

The Thanksgiving Psalms Qumran convey the feeling that the flesh is ugly, that man is a worm, a cut-off piece of clay—a mood found among the Gnostics, the Zoroastrians, in Pauline Christianity, and the subliminal explorations of Sigmund Freud.

We must feel all the more grateful to the Pharisees, the guiders and moulders of normative Judaism, that they sloughed off these ascetic and escapist elements.

THEY SAW in them potential heretics, not merely because they denigrated God's creatures, but because they threatened God's unity. It is indeed superficially easier to explain evil in a dualistic system where different gods exercise sovereignty over Good and Evil.

It is not difficult to persuade sensitive and oppressed people to disavow a world which rejects their every hope. Paul, taking a page from the Essenes and other Levantine monastic groups, showed how easy it was to get people to leap over the barriers of a world they never made, to one free of all earthly limitations.

BUT THE keepers of Torah said "no" to this sect and "no" to that and held resolutely to their faith that evil was unformed or misplaced good and that God had given man the freedom of will and the power of mind to transmute one into the other.

The Dead Sea Scrolls not only maintain the Masoretic text—they confirm the profoundly mature religiosity of the Pharisees.



# Tells Rev. Elson Israel Had To Be Just Like Thirteen Colonies

● Editor, National Jewish POST: The enclosed copy of my reply to Rev. Dr. Elson might interest you and our readers. It is more than personal although we have been closely associated during the war.

Rabbi SAMUEL HOROWITZ, Billings, Montana.

Rev. Dr. E. L. R. Elson  
National Presbyterian Church  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Elson:

I was pleasantly surprised and happy to hear from you. I appreciate your personal interest in taking time out from your busy schedule in the nation's capitol. Our warm and close association at Fort Leonard Wood during World War II and our surprise meeting in Tel Aviv after the War are delightful reminiscences.

By this time your attitude must have been modified by the events in the Near East, even as Anthony Eden's views have changed since his visit. His object then was to render Israel into another "Czechoslovakia." Meanwhile, the dismissal of Gen. Glubb has forced British leaders to face reality and to reassess their policy in the Middle East. After some 40 years they realize the bankruptcy of their Arab appeasement policy.

I hope they understand how Western powers have been played off against each other with oil as bait, each hoping to gain the hegemony in the Near

East: Thus, England pushed France out of Syria, and recently, has herself been pressured out of Suez by the State Department. Now we are being played off against Russia.

Arab rulers feign to be naive, but have proven quite shrewd. Israel is being used as a scapegoat in this game, because it is in an oasis of democracy in a desert of feudalism. If Israel had enough arms to defend herself, Arab aggression would be deterred. But now with Soviet-bloc arms added to Western arms, the Arabs are bent upon a second round. This would spell disaster for the free world, because Russia would sweep through the Near East into North Africa. World War III would then be too costly. The Zionist attitude is that foresight is better than hindsight. . . .

Our views differ in that I like to differentiate between symptom and cause: Israel is but the symptom; the real cause is the instability of the Arab governments, due to the plight of the felaheen whose feudal masters wallow in luxury. To divert the resentment, the rulers must incite them against an imaginary enemy, Israel.

Historically, this form of scapegoat has been a sociological law. Hammarskjold's mission can only postpone the inevitable. If they do not yield to mob pressure for war with Israel, their feudal - military dictatorships will again be overthrown.

This crux of the situation is definitely not a Zionist problem, but one of survival of democracy, American democracy. To suppress it during our national election, is an ostrich method of covering up the impending loss of the Middle East and Africa to communism so as to secure political immunity from criticism for such a loss.

The alibi of 3 1/2 per cent of the voters to pressure the other 96 1/2 per cent, is too fantastic. The so-called Jewish vote has been exploded in the Look magazine of Nov. 29, 1955; and the so-called Zionist pressure is also exploded in Truman's memoirs in the New York Times of Jan. 31, as well as by the ineffectiveness of my appeals to President Eisenhower and to Secretary Dulles, of which I sent you a carbon copy.

I am sure that more Zionists must have sent similar appeals, and to no avail.

The establishment of Israel was as inevitable as that of India and Pakistan, or of our own 13 Colonies' independence, by self-determination. (No country is established by others, except Trans-Jordan which was artificially created at England's convenience and funds.) The United Nations gave Israel the green light, and the United States gave it recognition. Vast spaces existed in Australia, Canada, Alaska, etc., but none were available for settlement of refugees; only a token trickled in to join

relatives. Wishful thinking and idle talk abounded among misinformed Jews. But this is beside the point.

The so-called Arab "refugees" is not the real issue either, although it is being exploited politically. They are not refugees by our definition, people driven from their homes. On the contrary, they left voluntarily at the command of their own leaders, including the former Grand Mufti Haj Amin Al Husseini and the Arab commander Fawzi al Kaukji, who threatened with reprisals any who refused to leave. The reason given by the Arab high executive was that upon the withdrawal of the British, the combined Arab armies would drive the Jews into the sea and then return triumphantly. The Jewish authorities begged them to stay and offered them protection and security.

This was reported in the London Economist of Oct. 2, 1948. I am sure you can find similar data in the N. Y. Times of the same period. The Governor of Maryland obtained the same information from eye-witnesses. I, too, have met an official eye-witness who had participated in the battle of Haifa. About seven years ago I suggested to an Israeli official initial payments for abandoned properties and the balance when peace is established. He was anxious to proceed, but soon realized complica-

tions of international law, because compensation is inter-related with reparations and are contingent upon peace settlement which the Arabs refuse.

Majority population is not identical with original inhabitants. Over 80 per cent of Palestine's Arabs had infiltrated from foreign countries, mostly in quest for better living-standards by working for Jews.

This is based upon a study by Cassidy of the N. Y. Herald-Tribune, published in Middle East Affairs magazine 1946-47. Using the interview method, he indicated that some 81 per cent of Palestine's Arabs (including their forebears) had immigrated from Egypt-Sudan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Syria, Hauran, etc.

The Bible and post-Biblical Jewish history are ample evidence as to the original inhabitants on both sides of the Jordan. Jewish legal residence and historical connections have been continuous. Only political control changed hands: Romans, Byzantines, Persians, Sel'uks, Mameluks, Saracens, Christian Crusaders, Arabs (350 years), Turks (1453-1918), and Britain (1918-1947). Arab claim is based upon "A Thousand and One Nights" stories.

If politics were kept out and matters left to the man on the street, people would get along well, anywhere. But this power-politics is mingled with oil.

Rabbi SAMUEL HOROWITZ, Billings, Mont.

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## SOME JEWISH LAWS ARE UNABLE TO BE EXPLAINED

● Editor, National Jewish POST:

As a subscriber of your publication who very much appreciates its impartial policy, I still must agree with some of your critics that—at least as far as some of your columnists are concerned—there is a certain lack of respect for tradition. Sometimes it is in the manner of presentation, combined with lack of sufficiently deep understanding, which leads to an "informal chat" about matters which have long been the deepest concern of biblical research and religious philosophy.

It is, of course, a fact that the Pentateuch contains some laws

which are not understood (Chukim) and even those whose derivation has been explained out of the ritual—and there is no dearth of commentators—can hardly be taken individually out of the whole complex.

THUS HELEN COHEN (April 27) "chats" about Leviticus 12, which deals with the fact that after the birth of a son a woman is considered "unclean" (ritually unclean, that is) for only seven, plus 33 days, while after the birth of a daughter, twice that length of time is required.

To conclude from this that the law constitutes a prejudice in favor of the male sex which is inappropriate in our present time of female emancipation is—pardon me—rather naive.

Perhaps Helen Cohen could explain why the wearing of any garments of mixed plant and animal fibers is prohibited. Or does she know why, at the time of the covenant with Abraham, certain animals had to be divided—a 3-year-old cow, a 3-year-old goat, a 3-year-old ram—and fire had to pass through this "covenant between the pieces."

Does she know why Job, in explanation of the injustice visited upon him and the entire world, was told: "Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? Or canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?" Does not this seem to indicate that biologic - cosmic connections exist, the meaning of which is obscure?

EVEN MORE clearly is this set forth in the last sentence of the "Proverbs of the Fathers, Chapter 3—Pirke Abot" which explains that the regulations governing the sacrifices of birds as well as the laws concerning the menstruation of women are of a significance so profound

that the teachings of astronomy and geometry can be considered as no more than outlines of knowledge.

The fact that neither tabernacles nor sanctuaries exist today which cannot be visited by women—as mentioned above—and that the same law is also found with other ancient peoples, does not render the matter any less serious. On the contrary. Just as the laws of nature apply to all humans and other living beings, cosmic—or rather metaphysical—laws are valid throughout the world, and according to the Torah, the sanctuary was precisely that: "The Meeting Place of Two Worlds," as expounded in the Zohar and the "Philosophy of Hebraism." (School of Thought: Founder Oskar Goldberg.)

Many laws which, according to this, man had to obey are—as expressly pointed out—the Will of God, i.e. God needed their existence for direct manifestations, which lack of these laws would have interfered with. From a purely human point of view, they might seem unnecessary. That is the reason for the almost total lack of any explanation regarding the laws covering sacrifices, diet and sex according to any past or current status of science.

THE SAME criticism holds good for Rabbi Weinstein who (April 20) treats such worldwide problems as "sin" and "animal sacrifice" in a rather high-handed manner. The Rabbi ought to know that, according to the Pentateuch, the concept of "sin" cannot be treated theologically, as the term applies also to animals, houses and inanimate objects.

That some of the prophets were opposed to animal sacrifice is a one-sided, in most cases a so-called "enlightened" opinion of those who see a progressive trend everywhere.

A GLIMPSE into any encyclopedia should convince your columnist that this is not true. This is not the place to go into details. Many are even in favor of re-institution, and to this day the Jew prays three times daily

## BLAUSTEIN CLARIFIES MID-EAST STATEMENT

CLEVELAND (NJP)—Despite the cease fire agreement, there is a possibility that war may break out in the Middle East

—in the 17th benediction of the Shemoneh Esreh, the oldest portion of the Jewish Liturgy—for the restoration of the sacrificial cult.

Wouldn't the editors of this Liturgy have been aware of what Rabbi Weinstein concludes from the words of certain prophets? Even so, the prophets had only visionary revelations, while Moses had direct communications—he alone, according to the Pentateuch. Or what does Rabbi Weinstein think when his congregation rises after the reading of the Torah, and shouts: "Moses received it from the Mouth of God!"

POSSIBLY Rabbi Weinstein and his congregation—if he has a congregation—has abolished the above-mentioned ancient prayers and opinions. In that case, the editors should explain that his writings represent the private opinion of one Reform Rabbi, rather than the opinion of Jewry in general.

Our time is full of personal antagonisms. There is no need to deepen the chasm between the factions. Or are your columnists at a loss what to write about?

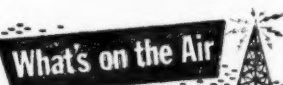
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unless Israel has adequate defensive arms to protect itself.

This is the opinion of Jacob Blaustein, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee.

The POST (NJP May 18) reported that Blaustein, in a speech before the AJC executive board, urged western nations to be ready to strike back if Arab nations attack.

Blaustein said this week that this remark was misinterpreted. He urged western nations sell defensive arms to Israel, but did not say there was need for them to take part in military action.



(Consult your local newspaper for time in your locality)

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# Recent Emigration From Israel Poses Problem for Nation

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HAIFA (NJP)—What are the reasons for the growing emigration from Israel?

What is the impact of this emigration wave upon Israel life? These two questions are now foremost in the minds of serious thinking Israelis, and in the long run can be just as important to Israel's struggle for survival as the questions of war or peace with the Arabs.

There is no use denying the fact that more people are leaving Israel now than at any time since Jews settled here about a hundred years ago. In the first four months of 1956, some 20,000 new immigrants entered Israel, nearly all of them from North Africa, but, during the same period, more than 21,000 Israelis, many of them of middle-class European background, left this country, at least 6,000 of them for good.

NATURALLY, such an exchange of emigration for immigration is not seriously reflected in the country's population statistics since Israel's population increases steadily, because although emigration is substantial, the birth rate in Israel more than makes up for it. Numbers, however, don't tell everything for the people who leave Israel are for the most part, trained professionals, tradesmen and businessmen, while those who arrive are North Africans, many of whom still eat on the floor with their fingers.

In the first four months of 1956, only some 6,000 registered as emigrants and openly declared that they were leaving the country for good.

The rest left on tourist, student, visitor and other visas, but just how many of them are really expected back is anybody's guess.

ON PAPER, leaving Israel nowadays is almost impossible. All men and women of military age (17-49 for men and 17-29 for women) must have the Defense Ministry's permission to leave the country and this permission is usually denied. They must have clean income tax records and must prove that they have paid all their debts to the Jewish Agency and other organs of the administration; they must have a valid passport, exit permit, entrance visa, police OK certificate, and must have no money.

It is forbidden to take more than ten dollars per person out of the country. On paper, the figure of 21,000 Israelis who left in spite of this, is a riddle, for most of them are men and women of the forbidden military age, and most of them do not look worried about the fact that they'll have to live for years on only \$10.

THE MAIN REASON is the war scare. If we had a real big war on, people would not be so afraid. Once there was a war, people would stay here and fight.

But the present war scare situation is worse than a war. Every week, your hopes get an uplift and the papers start forecasting peace. One week passes without incidents on the border and the people start believing that maybe there won't be war after all. Everything looks normal, until one day you have another of those border battles, a couple of planes shot down, a few buses bombed, some children killed. You have emergencies and alerts and war taxes, but you have no real war. After a week, everything gets back to normal again and then there we go again.

It's been like that for the past nine months, and people can't stand the strain.

ANOTHER REASON is the taxes. No other country in the world has so many and so heavy taxes as Israel. An average businessman, and not only a businessman, has to pay more than fifty different direct and indirect taxes from income tax to municipal tax, to property tax, and so on.

Do not think that all those who leave Israel now are traitors, cowards or renegades. Some of them cannot stand the strain which has been building up over the years; some of them cannot stand the taxes; and most of

them cannot stand both. If war broke out tomorrow, they'd fight the Arabs, but as it is, with neither war nor peace, they can not fight both their fears and their tax collectors. They say they want to live and not have to struggle for existence, and it's difficult to blame them for it.

## NAMES IN THE NEWS

### Replica of Valley Forge To Be Set Up In Israel As Sign of Freedom's Fight

An exact replica of Valley Forge will be developed in Israel as part of the Leader Woodland as a reminder to the peoples of the world of the suffering Americans underwent to gain freedom and liberty. The Woodland is named for Governor and Mrs. George M. Leader of Pennsylvania

who will be honored Monday with a banquet prior to their departure for a trip to Israel. Twenty-five mayors and prominent citizens of the state will receive testimonials at the affair in the form of forests in their names to be planted in the Leader Woodland.

At commencement exercises Sunday, June 3, 25 rabbis will be ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Three others will receive the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Letters, and seven more will be awarded honorary degrees of Doctor of Divinity, as also will Chief Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the honorable Horace Stern. The seven rabbis are Rabbi Herman Halperin, and Rabbi Benjamin A. Lichter, both of Pittsburgh; Rabbi Abraham M. Heller, and Rabbi Joseph Miller, both of Brooklyn; Rabbi Arthur Neulander, Far Rockaway; Rabbi Morris Schussheim, Providence, R. I., and Rabbi Morris Silverman, Hartford, Conn.

Belle Simon Azeff of Allentown, Pa., has been presented with the Benjamin Rush Award of Lehigh County, which goes to the non-medical person who has made the greatest contribution in the medical field. . . . Dr. Franz Rosenthal, a former professor at Hebrew Union College, has been named Louis M. Rabinowitz Professor of Semitic Languages at Yale University. . . . Mrs. Frank A. Kaufman, daughter of Rabbi Morris Lazaron, has been elected president of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.

Red-haired Phyllis Gibraltar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gibraltar, of Ansonia, Conn., won first prize in the New Haven Register's essay contest. She is a junior at Ansonia High School. . . . Marvin Lowenthal, famous Jewish historian, has been appointed director of special services at Brandeis University Library. . . . David B. Sachar, son of the president of Brandeis University, won a \$6,000 National Merit Scholarship in recent nation-wide tests. He plans to matriculate at Harvard. . . . Albert Hirschfeld of San Antonio was awarded three honors this week. He was elected president of both the Witte Museum and the association for the blind and was named treasurer of the San Antonio Symphony. . . . M. M. Harris who

## Israelis Not 'Natives' U. S. Marines Learn

TEL AVIV (NJP)—Before the U.S. Marines aboard the USS Albany left the Haifa port area recently, many of them tried to throw the Israeli money they still possessed to harbor workers.

The Marines, who were accustomed to scenes of violent fighting among workers who fought for such money in various Arabic harbors, which their ship visited previously, were astonished when none of the workers scampered for the money. They were further astonished when, a few minutes later, the area was cleaned, and the money thrown in the sea.

## Five Readers Name Jacob Blaustein Correctly

The Mystery Person was no problem for five POST readers who named Jacob Blaustein, of Baltimore, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee correctly. The quintet will share the \$20.00 prize which goes for winning after the second guess.



BLAUSTEIN

They are A. H. Alburn, Chamberburg, Pa.; D. Ezrin, 822 4th St. S. W., Washington, D. C.; Miriam Goldberg, 32 Brock Road, Valley Stream, N. Y.; Jacob Gorelick, 64 W. 108th St., New York City, and Henry W. Levy, 319 West Monument St., Baltimore, Md.

This week the contest starts all over again and the first hint is: Who was it said:

"Our only wish for American Jewry is to see it free, stable and secure."

The rules are: The Mystery person will be a living Jew, who is known for activity within the Jewish community. The Mystery Person may be a man or woman and can live in any part of the world:

Prize money is \$25.00, but each week a new hint will be given, while the prize money will be reduced by \$5.00 until the final week when only \$5.00 will be offered.

Replies must be on the official coupon blank in this week's paper, and must be postmarked not later than Monday, May 28 (or Tuesday, May 29), if the reader lives west of Denver, Colo.). In case of a tie, the prize money will be divided equally among those answering correctly. Answers should be addressed to The Mystery Person Contest, National Jewish Post, Post Office Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

## MYSTERY PERSON CONTEST

National Jewish Post

P. O. Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

The name of the May 25 Mystery Person is:

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## USSR Writers Hail Sholom Aleichem

MOSCOW—The fortieth anniversary of the death of Sholom Aleichem, famous Yiddish au-

thor, was celebrated at a special meeting at the Soviet Writers' Association here. Attending were prominent Russian and Jewish writers, actors, composers and musicians.

The meeting brought together the intellectual elite of Moscow and it was the first such Jewish gathering to be attended by top Soviet personalities.

## Youth Bulletin Calls Post Unfair

NEW YORK (NJP) — The Youth Bulletin, which describes itself as "an independent newspaper published by American Jewish students" this week objected "to the manner in which The National Jewish Post conducts its news columns as being unfair and partial."

In a statement the group asserted that "an independent Jewish newspaper, which you claim to be, is one which presents every point of view equally and permits the reader to come to his own conclusion."

The same statement said that: "We believe that the American Council for Judaism has as much right to exist and carry on advertising campaigns and publicity work as any other organization and can only come to the conclusion that its attackers are afraid to meet their opposition head on in a discussion of the issues."

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